



Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraphs [0059] and [0069] with the following rewritten paragraphs:

[0059] The fixing plate 330 is a rectangular member formed of, for example, a metal plate having a thickness of about 0.7 mm. The fixing plate 330 has the opening 331 for image light from the liquid crystal panel ~~31~~311 to pass through. The fixing plate 330 also has two positioning guide holes 333 bored at the lower part. The fixing plate 330 also has the recess 332 for mounting the rectangular emerging-side polarizing plate 340 and the view-angle compensating plate 320.

[0069] As described before with reference to Fig. 11, the spot-like stray light 72 around the projection image is generated such that partial light X2 of the light emerging from the side of the transparent pins 350 is taken into the projector lens and arrives on the screen. On the other hand, this embodiment has the douser 10 between the liquid crystal panel 311 and the color combining prism 400; therefore, also the light ~~X1~~X2 which generated the spot-like stray light 72 around the projection image is effectively blocked by the douser 10, as indicated by the dashed line in Fig. 5.